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Rufus Zimmerman House
Buckeystown
Private

1890

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The buildings is an ell shaped two story gable roofed common bond brick residence, five bays wide, with a two arched paneled door with recessed paneled entrance, brackets, pedimented hood and five light transom located in the third bay. A one story open porch with decorative columns and brackets extends across the front of the building. The roof is attached to the building by an unusual stepped brick cornice with brick dentils.

According to Williams, History of Frederick County, "he (Rufus Zimmerman) has greatly improved his property, putting up a comfortable two story brick dwelling, a bank barn, and convenient outbuildings. It is a fine dairy farm and Mr. Zimmerman has a large trade. His place, which is in a high state of cultivation, is numbered among the most desirable properties in the district."

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Rufus Zimmerman House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East Side New Design Road

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Buckeystown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

M86 P7

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Alpha Portland Cement Company

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 191

CITY, TOWN

Easton

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Pennsylvania 18042

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 588

Folio #: 334

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

F-1-23

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Rufus Zimmerman House

The building is a two story gable roofed common bond brick residence which faces west from the east side of New Design Road at the intersection of Ballenger Creek Pike.

The ell shaped brick structure is built on a low random stone foundation. The principle facade is five bays wide. The main entrance, a two arched paneled door with recessed paneled entrance brackets pedimented hood and five light transom with two side lights is located in the third bay. Located in the remaining bays on both the first and second levels are double hung 6/6 windows with decorative wood lintels. A one story open porch with decorative columns and brackets extends across the front of the building.

The replaced asphalt flank gable roof is attached to the building by an unusual stepped brick cornice with brick dentils.

The rear brick addition with a two story open porch appears to pre-date the front part of the building. Remains of a creamy yellow wash are evident on the south side. Eight bays, six of which are paneled doors with three light transoms enter onto the porches on the first and second levels.

Original brick chimneys are located on the east, north and south gables of the building. The upper brick part of the south gable of the house has been removed and repaired with cinder block. Twin brick chimneys flush with the gable flank this alteration.

A frame bank barn with louvered air vents, scalloped bargeboard and unusual elliptical louvered vents located in each gable is located south of the main residence.

Both buildings are in fair condition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES 1890

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Rufus Zimmerman

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber WIP 11; Folio 98.

²Williams, p. 1090.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn Widell, Sites Analyst

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

8/15/78

STREET & NUMBER

12 East Church St., Winchester Hall

TELEPHONE

663-8300

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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QUADRANGLE

RUFUS
ZIMMERMAN
HOUSE

FEI-23

Lime Kiln

Buckeystown

Brick Kilns

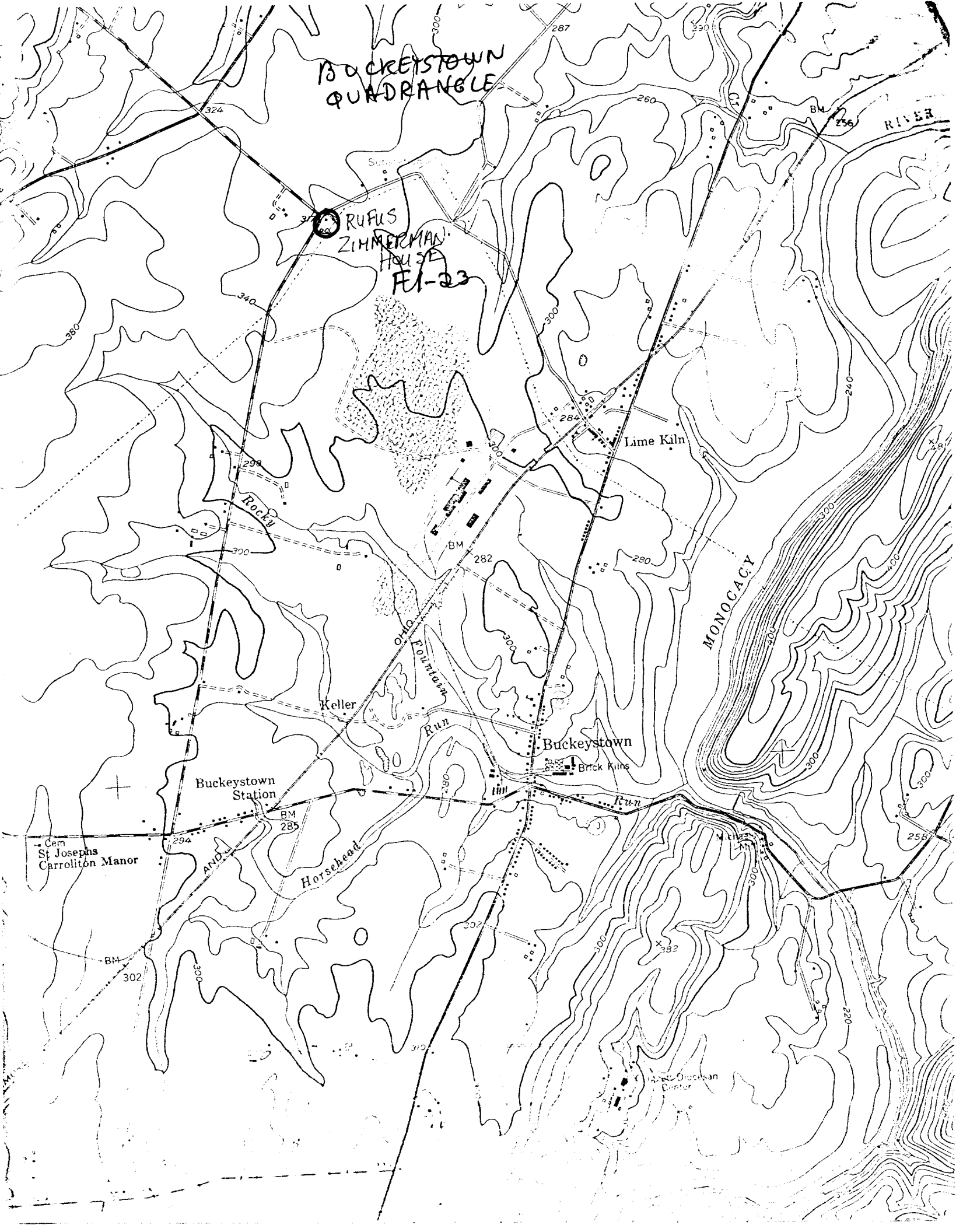
Buckeystown
Station

Cem
St Josephs
Carrollton Manor

Horsehead
Run

MONOCACY
River

RIVER





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INT NEW DESIGN RD + BALLENGER CREEK PIKE

WEST ELK